

Anne Arundel - 777  
Little Asbury M.E.Church(Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church)  
Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd.  
Pasadena,MD 21122

1924

Asbury Town Neck U.M.Church (Little Asbury) is 56' from the east side of Old Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd., 1/4 mile from that road's junction with Rt.2. The church faces south although there is an alternative entrance on the west side. The church can be described as late Victorian although it has been altered, rebuilt and remodeled. Little Asbury was originally a mission of Asbury M.E. Church in Annapolis. It has served the black population of northern Anne Arundel County since 1883. The church changed its' name to Asbury M.E. in 1924 and later to Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church.

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Little Asbury M.E. Church

AND/OR COMMON

Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd.

CITY, TOWN

Pasadena

VICINITY OF Town Neck

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Fourth

STATE

Maryland

Anne Arundel

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☒ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☒ EDUCATIONAL☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☒ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Trustees, Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church

Telephone #: 974-1276

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd.

CITY, TOWN

Pasadena

VICINITY OF Town Neck

STATE, zip code

21122

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Anne Arundel County Court House

Liber #: NGH10  
Folio #: 185

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Church Circle

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

Maryland

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

n/a

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

|   |                                       |   |   |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>CONDITION</b>                              |                                       | <b>CHECK ONE</b>                            | <b>CHECK ONE</b>                                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOOD                 | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR                 | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED    |   |   |

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church (Little Asbury) is 56 feet from the east side of Old Baltimore Annapolis Blvd, 1/4 mile from that road's junction with Route 2. The Church faces south although there is an alternative exit on the west side. The church is 24 ft across the front and 28 ft. in depth. There is a 10 foot addition on the east gable end that was added recently. The church can be described as late Victorian, but has been altered, rebuilt, and remodelled. Like Mt. Zion U.M. Church in Annapolis, Little Asbury is L-shaped with gables on the east-west and south ends of the building. The entrance (bell tower with open belfry) is on the southwest juncture of the El. The church has been covered with composite shingles that resemble bricks but are weatherboard. The structure has amber and blue lancet windows (two on the south side, three on the north, two on the west facade). This building appears to have been built before the turn of the century and rededicated in 1924.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

| PERIOD  |   | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC          | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING      | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499            | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC    | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION            | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW                    | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE                        |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599            | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE            | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS               | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE                      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699            | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION    | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                    | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING             | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER                        |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE               | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT  | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900-                | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS         | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY                | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)                |  |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION               |   |   |  |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Little Asbury M.E. Church was originally a mission of Asbury M.E. Church in Annapolis. It has served the black population of northern Anne Arundel County for nearly 100 years. It is located on the oldest Baltimore-Annapolis throughfare, not far from old Jones Station Road.

This area of Anne Arundel County has long had a large black population. The Church changed its name in 1924 to Asbury ME. and later to Asbury Town Neck U.M. Church.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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DATE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

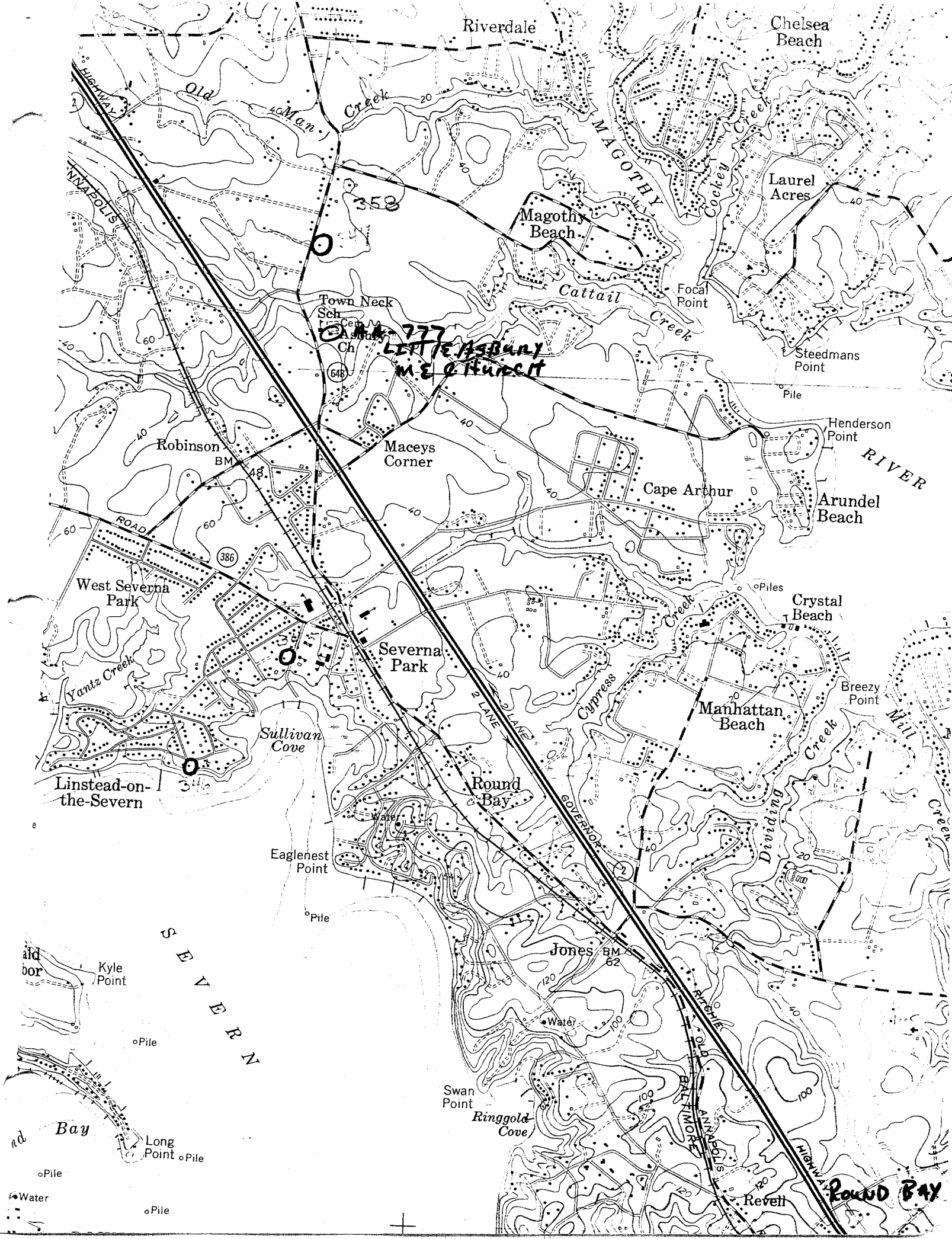
Annapolis, MD

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Pasadena

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Southwest elevation  
2/81





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